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METHODS FOR COMPUTING MINIMUM SUPPORT PRICES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to upgrade the methods for computing the Minimum Support Prices (MSP) to farm commodities;

(b) if so, whether the present system to compute MSP has not been found favourable to farmers; and

(c) if so, the extent to which the upgradation of methodology for computing MSP to farm commodities is likely to help farmers to get good prices of their product?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) to (c) The Government, at present, has no proposal to upgrade the methods for computing the Minimum Support Prices (MSP) of the farm commodities. However, an Expert Committee, under the Chairmanship of Prof. Y.K. Alagh, has been set up to examine the methodological and related recommendations of the National Seminar on Methodological Issues in the Fixation of Minimum Support Prices held in New Delhi.